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Official meetings

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Security Council

Security Council Committee established pursuant to resolution 1540 (2004)

10 a.m.–1 p.m. . . . . 27th meeting . . . . . Trusteeship Council Chamber

3–6 p.m. . . . . 28th meeting . . . . . Trusteeship Council Chamber

[*Note:* An interactive session will follow the general debate until Friday, 2 October. Further information on the 1540 Committee, including official documents and background materials for the comprehensive review, as well as the tentative list of speakers for the morning open meeting can be accessed at <www.un.org/sc/1540/ComprehensiveReview-OpenMeeting.shtml>.]

General Assembly

Sixty-fourth session

Main Committees

First Committee

3 p.m.[1] . . . . . 1st meeting . . . . . Conference Room 4

Organization of work (A/C.1/64/2, A/C.1/64/CRP.1 and A/63/397)

[1] A technical briefing by the Secretariat for delegates of the First Committee will be held following the adjournment of the 1st meeting of the Committee.

Special Political and Decolonization Committee (Fourth Committee)

10–11 a.m. . . . . 1st meeting . . . . . Conference Room 4

Election of the officers of the Main Committees . . . . . [5]

Organization of work (A/C.4/64/1, A/C.4/64/L.1, A/C.4/64/INF/1 and Aide-mémoire 1/09[1] (Requests for hearing))

[1] To be distributed at the meeting.

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General Assembly
Sixty-fourth session

There will be a briefing by the Deputy Secretary-General, in her capacity as Chair of the Rule of Law Coordination and Resource Group, on Friday, 2 October 2009, at 10 a.m. in Conference Room 2. *Member States are invited to participate at the ambassadorial level.*

Security Council

The President of the Security Council for the month of October 2009 (Viet Nam) will provide a briefing for Member States of the United Nations which are non-members of the Council on the programme of work for the month of October, on Friday, 2 October 2009, at 11.30 a.m. in Conference Room 6.

The President of the Security Council for the month of October will hold a briefing to the press on the programme of work for the month of October, on Friday, 2 October 2009, at 12.30 p.m. in the Press Briefing Room (S-226). Delegations can view the press briefing from the United Nations Webcast <www.un.org/webcast>.

Security Council

The Security Council will hold an open debate on Monday, 5 October 2009, in the Security Council Chamber, in connection with the agenda item "Women and peace and security". Member States wishing to inscribe their names on the list of speakers should contact the Secretariat (tel. 1 (212) 963-5258; fax 1 (212) 963-7878; room S-3520), as from *today*, 1 October 2009, from 9.30 a.m. to 5.30 p.m. Delegations are also kindly requested to limit their statements to no more than *five minutes*.

Security Council

The monthly tentative forecast has been made available on the Web site of the Security Council < www.un.org/sc >, in accordance with the note by the President of the Security Council dated 19 July 2006 (S/2006/507). Copies of the tentative forecast have also been placed in the delegations' boxes and may be collected at the delegations' pick-up areas as of Monday, 5 October 2009.

Fifth Committee

10 a.m. . . . . 1st meeting . . . . . Conference Room 3

Organization of work (A/C.5/64/1 and A/C.5/64/L.1)

Morning[1]–1 p.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room 3

Informal briefing on management of the United Nations, by Ms. Angela Kane, Under-Secretary-General for Management

[1]To be held following the adjournment of the 1st meeting of the Committee.

General Assembly

Sixty-fourth session

Informal consultations on agenda item 76 (a) (Oceans and the law of the sea)

10 a.m.–1 p.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room 5

3–6 p.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room 5

General Assembly

Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions

10.30 a.m.–1 p.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room 10

3–6 p.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room 10

Human resources management

United Nations Dispute Tribunal

Hearing

10 a.m.–1 p.m. . . . . Open meeting . . . . . Conference Room 9

Economic and Social Council

International Research and Training Institute for the Advancement of Women

Executive Board

Sixth session (resumed)

10 a.m.–1 p.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room 8

3–6 p.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room 8

Informal meetings on draft proposals convened by delegations

Thursday, 1 October 2009

General Assembly

Meeting on the draft resolution on building a peaceful and better world through sport and the Olympic ideal (under agenda item 45) (convened by the delegation of Canada)

3–5 p.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room D

Other meetings

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Thursday, 1 October 2009

Group of 77 (on oceans and the law of the sea)

9–9.45 a.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room 7

2009 United Nations Disarmament Fellowship Programme

10 a.m.–1 p.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room E

3–6 p.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room E

Briefing on the third session of the Conference of the State Parties to the United Nations Convention against Corruption (organized by the Permanent Mission of Qatar)

11.30 a.m.–1 p.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room B

African Group (Fifth Committee experts)

1.15–2.30 p.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room D

Other activities

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Thursday, 1 October 2009

Special event on "Resolution 1540: At the crossroads" (on the occasion of the meeting of the Security Council Committee established pursuant to resolution 1540 (2004) (30 September–2 October 2009)) (co-organized by the Stanley Foundation, the Arab Institute for Security Studies, the Fondation pour la recherche stratégique, the Henry L. Stimson Center, the Nonproliferation for Global Security Foundation, SIPRI, VERTIC and the World Institute for Nuclear Security, and sponsored by the Office for Disarmament Affairs)

From 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. and from 2 to 6 p.m. in Conference Room 2.

[All are invited to attend. For further information, please visit <www.stanleyfoundation.org/articles.cfm?ID=592>; or contact Mr. Nikita Smidovich, Office for Disarmament Affairs (e-mail smidovich@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-9029).]

Press conferences

The schedule below is tentative; up-to-date information can be obtained at <www.un.org/News/ossg/conf.htm>.

Thursday, 1 October 2009

Room S-226

11 a.m. . . . . H.E. Mr. Manouchehr Mottaki, Minister for Foreign Affairs of the Islamic Republic of Iran

12 noon . . . . . Press briefing by the Spokesperson

Forthcoming official meetings

General Assembly

Sixty-fourth session

Main Committees

First Committee

The Committee will begin its substantive work by holding a general debate on all disarmament and international security agenda items, from Monday, 5, to Monday, 12 October 2009. The list of speakers for the general debate is open. Delegations wishing to be inscribed are requested to kindly contact Ms. Deborah Vollkommer (e-mail vollkommer@un.org; tel. 1 (917) 367-9327; room S-2977).

Delegations are reminded that, during the general debate, in accordance with the practice at recent sessions of the First Committee and guidance provided by the Bureau, a time limit should be observed of 10 minutes for delegations speaking in their national capacity, and 15 minutes for those speaking on behalf of several delegations. The list of speakers will be prepared on the basis of this time limit.

Delegations are reminded that the names of representatives, alternate representatives and advisers should be forwarded to Mr. Timur Alasaniya, Acting Secretary of the First Committee (c/o Ms. Francine Leong (e-mail leong@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-4389; fax 1 (212) 963-5305; room S-2977)). Please note that only scanned copies of notes verbales or form A/INF/64/2 will be accepted by e-mail.

Delegations wishing to reserve conference rooms for consultations during the session should contact Mr. Gerard Cianciulli (e-mail cianciulli@un.org; tel. 1 (917) 367-9277; room S-2977).

Background information on the Committee is available and accessible to Member States and permanent observers on the First Committee QuickFirst Web site <https://secln069.un.org/quickplace/quickfirst/Main.nsf>. For inquiries regarding QuickFirst, kindly contact Mr. Sergei Cherniavsky (e-mail cherniavsky@un.org).

Special Political and Decolonization Committee (Fourth Committee)

The Special Political and Decolonization Committee (Fourth Committee) will begin its consideration of the cluster of items on decolonization on Monday, 5 October 2009, at 3 p.m. in Conference Room 4.

Delegations wishing to be inscribed on the list of speakers for the general debate relating to all decolonization items are kindly requested to notify Ms. Milena Tekeste (e-mail tekeste1@un.org; tel. 1 (917) 367-4193; room S-2977).

Delegations are also reminded that the names of their representatives, alternates and advisers to the Special Political and Decolonization Committee (Fourth Committee) are to be submitted to Mr. Saijin Zhang, Secretary of the Committee (c/o Mr. Martin Vrastiak (e-mail vrastiak@un.org; fax 1 (212) 963-5305; room S-2977NN)).

Background information on the Committee is available and accessible to Member States and permanent observers at <https://4thcommittee.unlb.org>. For inquiries regarding user names and passwords, kindly contact Mr. Dino Del Vasto (e-mail del-vasto@un.org).

Second Committee

General debate

The Second Committee will begin its general debate on Monday, 5 October 2009, at 10 a.m. in Conference Room 2. The Under-Secretary-General for Economic and Social Affairs, Mr. Sha Zukang, will address the Committee.

The list of speakers for the general debate is open. Delegations wishing to be inscribed are requested to contact Ms. Dolores Lois, *in writing* (e-mail lois@un.org; fax 1 (212) 963-5935; room S-2950).

Delegations are reminded that, during the general debate, in accordance with past practice of the Second Committee, a time limit of 10 minutes for delegations speaking in their national capacity and 15 minutes for those speaking on behalf of groups should be observed. The list of speakers will be prepared on the basis of this time limit.

Composition of delegations

Delegations are reminded that the names of representatives, alternate representatives and advisers, should be submitted, *as soon as possible*, to Ms. Jennifer de Laurentis, Secretary of the Second Committee (e-mail 2ndcommittee@un.org; fax 1 (212) 963-5935; room S-2950C). Please note that only scanned copies of note verbales or form A/INF/64/2 will be accepted by e-mail.

Third Committee

The Third Committee will begin its work on Monday, 5 October 2009, at 10 a.m. in Conference Room 1.

Information on the work of the Third Committee is available at the following address: <www.un.org/ga/third/index.shtml>.

List of speakers

The list of speakers for the general discussion on all items to be allocated to the Third Committee is open. Delegations wishing to inscribe on the list are invited to send their requests to the secretariat of the Third Committee (e-mail 3rdcommittee@un.org; fax 1 (212) 963-5935; room S-2950F).

Participants

Delegations that have not communicated the composition of their delegation to the Third Committee are reminded to convey such information to the Secretary of the Committee, Mr. Moncef Khane (e-mail 3rdcommittee@un.org; fax 1 (212) 963-5935; room S-2950D). Please note that only scanned copies of notes verbales or form A/INF/64/2 will be accepted by e-mail.

Fifth Committee

The Fifth Committee will hold its 2nd meeting on Monday, 5 October 2009, at 10 a.m. in Conference Room 3. Informal consultations (closed) will be held following the adjournment of the 2nd meeting in Conference Room 5.

Informal briefings

Informal briefings (closed) will be held as follows:

Monday, 5 October 2009, at 3 p.m. in Conference Room 3:
Scale of assessments (by Mr. Jun Yamazaki, Assistant Secretary-General, Controller); and Capital master plan (by Mr. Michael Adlerstein, Assistant-Secretary-General/Executive Director); and

Tuesday, 6 October 2009, at 3 p.m. in Conference Room 3:
Budgeting in the United Nations (by Mr. Jun Yamazaki, Assistant Secretary-General, Controller); and Enterprise resource planning (ERP) (by Ms. Angela Kane, Under-Secretary-General for Management; Mr. Choi Soon-hong, Chief Information Technology Officer, Assistant Secretary-General; and Mr. Paul van Essche, Director, Enterprise Resource Planning Project).

Delegations that have not done so are kindly reminded to submit the names of their representatives, alternates and advisers to the Secretary of the Fifth Committee, Mr. Movses Abelian (c/o Ms. Ana Bürgi (e-mail fifthcommittee@un.org; fax 1 (212) 963-0360; room S-2633)). Please note that only scanned copies of notes verbales or form A/INF/64/2 will be accepted by e-mail.

Information on the work of the Fifth Committee during the sixty-fourth session of the General Assembly, including the tentative and provisional programme of work, will be available at <www.un.org/ga/fifth/>.

Sixth Committee

The Sixth Committee will hold its 1st meeting on Monday, 5 October 2009, at 10 a.m. in the Trusteeship Council Chamber.

The provisional programme of work for the sixty-fourth session, as well as other relevant information relating to the organization of work and the status of documentation, is available on the Web site of the Sixth Committee, which is regularly updated <www.un.org/ga/sixth/64/64_session.shtml>. The allocation of agenda items to the Sixth Committee is contained in document A/C.6/64/1 and the note by the Secretariat on the organization of work was issued as document A/C.6/64/L.1.

List of speakers

The list of speakers for all items on the agenda of the Sixth Committee is open. Delegations wishing to be inscribed on the list are kindly requested to contact the Secretariat of the Sixth Committee (Ms. Marianne Sooksatan (e-mail sooksatan@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-5378; fax 1 (212) 963-1963)). Please note that in the first week, the Committee will deal with agenda items 142 (Administration of justice at the United Nations), 106 (Measures to eliminate international terrorism) and 78 (Criminal accountability of United Nations officials and experts on mission).

Composition of delegations

Delegations that have not done so are kindly reminded to submit the names of their representatives, alternates and advisers to the secretariat of the Sixth Committee (e-mail alejandrino@un.org; fax 1 (212) 963-1963; room M-13065, 380 Madison Avenue). Please note that only scanned copies of notes verbales or form A/INF/64/2 will be accepted by e-mail.

General Assembly

Committee on Relations with the Host Country

The 243rd meeting (closed) of the Committee on Relations with the Host Country will be convened on Friday, 2 October 2009, at 10 a.m. in Conference Room 3. Delegations of Member States that wish to attend as observers should indicate their desire to do so in advance to the Secretary of the Committee (e-mail sinha1@un.org; fax 1 (212) 963-6430; room M-13060, 380 Madison Avenue). The meeting will not be open to members of the press or the public. Delegations are reminded that while any matter pertinent to the work of the Committee may be raised from the floor, they are encouraged, in accordance with the decision of the Committee adopted at its 164th meeting in March

1994, to request the formal inscription, at least 48 hours prior to the meeting, of specific items they would like to raise, keeping in mind the detailed list of topics adopted by the Committee in 1982 (see document A/50/26, par. 5). Delegations are further encouraged to submit to the Secretary of the Committee (e-mail sinha1@un.org; fax 1 (212) 963-6430; room M-13060, 380 Madison Avenue) any relevant documentation or written statements in advance of the meeting.

Committee on the Exercise of the Inalienable Rights of the Palestinian People

The 318th meeting of the Committee on the Exercise of the Inalienable Rights of the Palestinian People will be held on Monday, 5 October 2009, at 10.30 a.m. in the Economic and Social Council Chamber.

Economic and Social Council

Resumed substantive session of 2009

The Economic and Social Council will hold elections to fill a vacancy in the International Narcotics Control Board (INCB), on Thursday, 8 October 2009, at 3 p.m. in the Economic and Social Council Chamber. Information on the election is contained in document E/2009/9/Add/20.

Briefing

The Economic and Social Council will hold a briefing on the mandates, functions and activities of the International Narcotics Control Board (INCB), also on Thursday, 8 October 2009, immediately following the resumed substantive session, in the Economic and Social Council Chamber. The briefing will be conducted by the President of INCB, Mr. Sevil Atasoy, and will be chaired by the President of the Economic and Social Council, H.E. Ms. Sylvie Lucas (Luxembourg).

All are invited to attend. For further information, please contact Mr. Paul Simon, Office of ECOSOC Support and Coordination, Department of Economic and Social Affairs (e-mail simonp@un.org; tel. 1 (917) 367-5027).

United Nations Forum on Forests
Informal "informal" consultations

The final informal "informal" consultations will be convened by the Co-Facilitators of the United Nations Forum on Forests, Mr. Boen Purnama (Indonesia) and Mr. Hans Hoogeveen (Netherlands), on Thursday, 8 October 2009, at 10 a.m. in Conference Room 8, in order to conclude the informal consultations process. The discussion will also include setting a date for a one-day special session of the ninth session of the Forum in 2009, as previously agreed in the Economic and Social Council decision, for the purpose of adopting the agreed text of the informal consultations on the means of implementation for sustainable forest management.

Forthcoming informal meetings on draft proposals convened by delegations

Special Political and Decolonization Committee
(Fourth Committee)

Meeting of the co-sponsors of General Assembly resolution 62/99 (A/RES/62/99), entitled "Assistance in mine action" (under agenda item 28) (convened by the delegation of Sweden, on behalf of the European Union)

Monday, 5 October 2009, from 1.15 to 2.30 p.m. in Conference Room 7.

Second Committee

Meeting of the co-sponsors of General Assembly resolution 63/142 (A/RES/63/142), entitled "Legal empowerment of the poor and eradication of poverty" (under agenda item 57) (convened by the delegations of Guatemala and Switzerland)

Friday, 2 October 2009, from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. in Conference Room 8.

Third Committee

Meetings of co-sponsors on a draft resolution on international cooperation against the world drug problem (under agenda item 105) (convened by the delegation of Mexico)

Friday, 2 October 2009, from 1.15 to 2.30 p.m. in Conference Room B; and

Monday, 5 October 2009, from 3 to 6 p.m. in Conference Room C.

Informal consultations on the draft resolution entitled "Policies and programmes involving youth" (under agenda item 61) (convened by the delegations of Portugal, the Republic of Moldova and Senegal)

Monday, 5 October 2009, from 1.15 to 2.30 p.m. in Conference Room 9.

Informal consultations on a draft resolution on international cooperation against the world drug problem (under agenda item 105) (convened by the delegation of Mexico)

Wednesday, 7 October 2009, from 3 to 6 p.m. in Conference Room C.

Other forthcoming meetings

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Consultation on the Association of Southeast Asian Nations (ASEAN) joint statement at the First Committee (organized by the Permanent Mission of Myanmar)

Friday, 2 October 2009, from 11 a.m. to 12 noon in Conference Room B.

African Group (Sixth Committee experts)

Friday, 2 October 2009, from 1.15 to 2.30 p.m. in Conference Room 7.

UNITAR English-language workshop on the structure, drafting and adoption of United Nations resolutions

Monday, 5 October 2009, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. and from 3 to 6 p.m. in Conference Room E;

Tuesday, 6 October 2009, from 3 to 6 p.m. in Conference Room E; and

Wednesday, 7 October 2009, from 3 to 6 p.m. in Conference Room E.

[For further information, please contact Ms. Soukeyna Fall, UNITAR (e-mail falls@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-9196).]

Non-Aligned Movement: Coordinating Bureau

Wednesday, 7 October 2009, from 3 to 6 p.m. in the Economic and Social Council Chamber.

Forthcoming other activities

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Informal briefing on the work of the United Nations Development Fund for Women (UNIFEM) for delegates of the Second and Third Committees (organized by UNIFEM)

Friday, 2 October 2009, from 10 to 11.30 a.m. in Conference Room C.

[All are invited to attend. For further information, please contact Ms. Ingrid Arnò, UNIFEM (e-mail ingrid.arno@unifem.org; tel. 1 (212) 906-5149).]

Commemoration of International Day of Non-Violence and release of a commemorative stamp by the United Nations Postal Administration (organized by the Permanent Mission of India)

Friday, 2 October 2009, from 5 to 6 p.m. in the Penthouse of the Dag Hammarskjöld Library.

[All are invited to attend. For further information, please contact, Mr. Acquino Vimal, Permanent Mission of India (e-mail indfs_hrs@indiaun.net; tel. 1 (212) 490-9683).]

Launching of the joint Council of Europe/United Nations study on trafficking in organs, tissues and cells and trafficking in human beings for the purpose of the removal of organs (co-organized by the Council of Europe and the Office of the Special Adviser on Gender Issues and Advancement of Women (OSAGI), Department of Economic and Social Affairs, and co-sponsored by the Permanent Missions of Slovenia and Spain)

Tuesday, 13 October 2009, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. in the Economic and Social Council Chamber.

[All are invited to attend. For further information, please contact Ms. Natalia Zakharova, OSAGI, e-mail zakharova@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-8134).]

Announcements

Informational meetings with Member States to discuss issues relating to language services

In accordance with the established practice mandated by the General Assembly, the Department for General Assembly and Conference Management holds informational meetings with Member States twice a year to consult with them on the improvement of the language services and to provide a channel for communication on terminology issues and the quality of services rendered. The second round of language-specific informational meetings for this year will be held in October, in Conference Room 9, according to the following schedule:

Tuesday, 27 October, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m.: *Spanish*

Tuesday, 27 October, from 3 to 6 p.m.: *Russian*

Wednesday, 28 October, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m.: *French*

Wednesday, 28 October, from 3 to 6 p.m.: *English*

Thursday, 29 October, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m.: *Chinese*

Thursday, 29 October, from 3 to 6 p.m.: *Arabic*

Office of the President of the sixty-fourth session of the General Assembly

Member States are kindly reminded that all communications may be sent to the Office of the President of the sixty-fourth session of the General Assembly (room C-204; tel. 1 (212) 963-7555).

Security Council

Web site of the presidency

The Web site of the presidency of the Security Council can be visited at <www.un.org/sc/presidency.asp>.

Recorded information

Recorded information about previously unscheduled meetings and consultations of the whole of the Security Council may be obtained by calling 1 (212) 963-8530, or by clicking on "Daily Programme" on the Web site of the Security Council <www.un.org/Docs/sc>.

Prepared statements

Speakers in the Security Council are advised that providing in advance copies of prepared statements which they intend to read out in the Council greatly facilitates the work of the Secretariat by permitting a sufficient number of copies to be distributed to all meeting participants and by assisting interpreters, verbatim reporters and press officers in maintaining the quality of the product delivered. Both interpretations and verbatim records rely upon the statement actually delivered, but copies of texts help interpreters to correctly render details and nuances and help verbatim reporters to produce the written record more quickly. Speakers are therefore encouraged, whenever possible, to provide copies of their statements, as early as possible in advance of delivery, to the Conference Officer in the Chamber.

Delegations are kindly requested to make 40 copies for minimum distribution to Council members and relevant services, and 200 additional copies for general distribution in the Security Council Chamber.

Delegations wishing to make statements available for the media are kindly requested to deliver 50 copies to the Media Documents Centre (e-mail mdc@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-7166; room S-394).

Access to back issues of the *Journal of the United Nations*

Back issues of the *Journal of the United Nations*, in English and French, can be accessed at the following addresses: <www.un.org/ga/search/journal.asp> and <www.un.org/french/ga/search/journal.asp>.

All comments and suggestions about the daily *Journal* are welcomed. Kindly contact the office of the *Journal* at journal@un.org.

Summary of official meetings

Wednesday, 30 September 2009

Security Council

6195th meeting

Women and peace and security

Report of the Secretary-General pursuant to Security Council resolution 1820 (2008) (S/2009/362)

The agenda was adopted without objection.

The President, with the consent of the Council, invited the representatives of Albania, Argentina, Armenia, Australia, Belgium, Benin, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Bulgaria, Canada, Chile, Côte d'Ivoire, Cyprus, the Czech Republic, the Democratic Republic of the Congo, Denmark, Djibouti, Estonia, Finland, Germany, Greece, Hungary, Iceland,

India, Ireland, Israel, Italy, Liberia, Liechtenstein, Lithuania, Luxembourg, Malta, Monaco, Mongolia, Montenegro, the Netherlands, New Zealand, Nigeria, Norway, Panama, Poland, Portugal, the Republic of Korea, Romania, Rwanda, Senegal, Serbia, Singapore, Slovakia, Slovenia, South Africa, Spain, Sweden, Switzerland, The former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia and the United Republic of Tanzania, at their request, to participate in the consideration of the item without the right to vote, in accordance with the relevant provisions of the Charter and rule 37 of the Council's provisional rules of procedure.

The President drew attention to the text of a draft resolution contained in document S/2009/489, submitted by Albania, Argentina, Armenia, Australia, Austria, Belgium, Benin, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Bulgaria, Burkina Faso, Canada, Chile, Costa Rica, Côte d'Ivoire, Croatia, Cyprus, the Czech Republic, the Democratic Republic of the Congo, Denmark, Djibouti, Estonia, Finland, France, Germany, Greece, Hungary, Iceland, India, Ireland, Israel, Italy, Japan, Liberia, Liechtenstein, Lithuania, Luxembourg, Malta, Mexico, Monaco, Mongolia, Montenegro, the Netherlands, New Zealand, Nigeria, Norway, Panama, Poland, Portugal, the Republic of Korea, Romania, Rwanda, Senegal, Serbia, Singapore, Slovakia, Slovenia, South Africa, Spain, Sweden, Switzerland, The former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia, Turkey, the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland, the United Republic of Tanzania and the United States of America.

The Council proceeded to vote on the draft resolution (S/2009/489) before it.

Decision: The draft resolution (S/2009/489) received 15 votes in favour, none against and no abstentions, and was adopted unanimously as resolution 1888 (2009).

A statement was made by H.E. Ms. Hillary Clinton, speaking in her capacity as the Secretary of State of the United States of America.

The Secretary-General made a statement.

Statements were made by H.E. Mr. Bedouma Alain Yoda, Minister for Foreign Affairs and Regional Cooperation of Burkina Faso, and H.E. Mr. Alain Joyandet, Minister of State for Cooperation and Francophonie of France.

Statements were also made by the representatives of Mexico, the United Kingdom, Costa Rica, Austria, Japan, the Russian Federation, Viet Nam, Turkey, the Libyan Arab Jamahiriya, Croatia, Uganda and China.

Signatures, Ratifications, etc.

Opening for Signature

United Nations Convention on Contracts for the International Carriage of Goods Wholly or Partly by Sea (New York, 11 December 2008)

The United Nations Convention on Contracts for the International Carriage of Goods Wholly or Partly by Sea was adopted was adopted on 11 December 2008 at the sixty-third session of the General Assembly by resolution 63/122. In accordance with its article 88 (1), the Convention is open by all States for signature at United Nations Headquarters.

Certified true copies of the Convention, which the Arabic, Chinese, English, French, Russian and Spanish texts are equally authentic, were established and transmitted to all States by depositary notification C.N.178.2009.TREATIES-2 of 8 April 2009.

The Secretary-General takes this opportunity to recall that, under established international practice, only Heads of State, Heads of Government or Ministers for Foreign Affairs are empowered, by virtue of their functions, to sign a treaty on behalf of a State without having to produce full powers to that effect. Other representatives wishing to sign a treaty must be in possession of appropriate full powers, which expressly authorize signature of a specified treaty by a named representative issued and signed by one of these authorities.

The Secretary-General would be obliged if States wishing to sign the Convention could notify, and provide copies of the required full powers in advance to the Treaty Section, Office of Legal Affairs, at United Nations Headquarters (e-mail depositaryCN@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-5047).

For more information on full powers and a model instrument of full powers, please refer to the *Treaty Handbook* on the United Nations Treaty Collection Web site, which can be accessed at the following address: <http://treaties.un.org>.

General information

Chairs of the regional groups

The following information regarding the chairmanship of the regional groups for the month of *October 2009* has been communicated to the Secretariat:

African States:
Tunisia
H.E. Mr. Ghazi Jomaa

Asian States:
Pakistan
H.E. Mr. Abdullah Hussain Haroon

Eastern European States:
Romania
H.E. Mrs. Simona Mirela Miculescu

Latin American and Caribbean States:
Haiti
Mr. Léo Mérorès

Western European and other States:
United Kingdom
H.E. Sir John Sawers

Daily list of documents issued at Headquarters

With the exception of sales publications and public information material, hyperlinked official documents listed hereunder may be accessed through the Official Document System of the United Nations in the electronic version of the present Journal. The list contains documents issued by 2 p.m. on Wednesday, 30 September 2009.

Symbol	*Main title*
General Assembly	**Documents**
	Sixty-fourth session
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